State of South Dakota

SEVENTY-THIRD SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 1998

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House engrossed no. SB109 - 2/20/98

Introduced by: Senators Halverson, Dennert, Flowers, Paisley, and Shoener and Representatives Cutler, Cerny, Duniphan, Gabriel, Hagg, Haley, Hunt, and Roe

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise provisions concerning stop loss or excess
- 2 insurance.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. That § 58-18B-35 be amended to read as follows:
- 5 58-18B-35. The director shall promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26 regulating the
- 6 issuance of stop loss or excess insurance covering health claims of employees. The director shall
- 7 also promulgate rules regulating the solicitation and sale of multiple employer trusts and multiple
- 8 employer welfare arrangements. In considering the promulgation of rules pursuant to this
- 9 section, the director shall take into consideration, the status of the small employer market, the
- 10 impact such rules would have on the availability of health insurance and the impact such rules
- may have on the fair marketing of health insurance in this state. Rules promulgated pursuant to
- this section may not directly or indirectly affect stop loss or excess insurance covering health
- claims of employees arising from self-funded employee health programs. The rules may cover:
- 14 (1) Suitability and eligibility of insureds for coverage;
- 15 (2) Method of premium payments;

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- 1 (3) Minimum stop loss amounts including specific and aggregate attachment points;
- 2 (4) Contractual obligations and policy provisions of carriers;
- 3 (5) Form filing requirements, including those for approval and disapproval;
- 4 (6) Reporting and recordkeeping requirements;
- 5 (7) Definition of terms; and
- 6 (8) Eligibility of insurers.
- 7 Section 2. That § 58-18-52 be amended to read as follows:
- 8 58-18-52. Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 47-34, §§ 47-15-2, 47-22-4, and
- 9 47-14-2, any organization may form for the purposes of purchasing group health insurance on
- a voluntary basis. For purposes of §§ 58-18-52 to 58-18-62, inclusive, an organization means
- any nonprofit organization or nonprofit corporation formed under South Dakota law. Stop loss
- or excess insurance may be purchased in the same manner as group health insurance is purchased
- 13 pursuant to §§ 58-18-52 to 58-18-62, inclusive.

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1 **BILL HISTORY**

- 2 1/20/98 First read in Senate and referred to Commerce. S.J. 120
- 3 1/22/98 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.
- 4 1/22/98 Commerce Do Pass, Passed, AYES 6, NAYS 0. S.J. 161
- 5 1/22/98 Commerce Place on Consent Calendar.
- 6 1/23/98 Second reading of consent calendar items.
- 7 1/23/98 Second reading of consent calendar items.
- 8 1/23/98 Second reading of consent calendar items. S.J. 181
- 9 1/23/98 Senate Do Pass, Passed, AYES 33, NAYS 0. S.J. 181
- 10 1/26/98 First read in House and referred to Commerce. H.J. 250
- 11 2/17/98 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.
- 12 2/17/98 Commerce Do Pass, Passed, AYES 13, NAYS 0. H.J. 688
- 13 2/17/98 Commerce Place on Consent Calendar.
- 14 2/18/98 Second reading of consent calendar items.
- 15 2/18/98 Second reading of consent calendar items.
- 16 2/19/98 Motion to Amend, Passed. H.J. 785
- 17 2/19/98 House of Representatives Do Pass Amended, Passed, AYES 64, NAYS 1. H.J. 785
- 18 2/19/98 House of Representatives Title Amended Passed. H.J. 786